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Applicant: Hiroaki Shizuya Art Unit: 1645
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Title: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING AN ESSENTIAL GENE IN
PROKARYOTIC MICROORGANISM

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Sir:

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1. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (1 page);
2. An executed Declaration For Patent Application (3 pages);
3. An executed Power of Attorney by Assignee (2 pages);
4. Petition for Four (4) Months Extension of Time;
5. Check No. 499409 in the amount of \$65.00 and
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Respectfully submitted,

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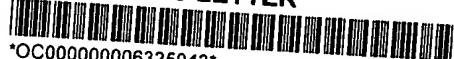
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

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